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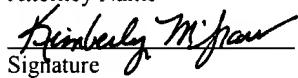
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 and respectfully requests that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-captioned application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed, applicant believes, before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-reference application. Therefore, applicant does not believe that any fee is due in connection with the submission of this paper.

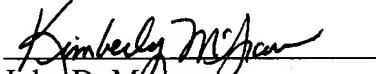
U.S. Patent No. 6,251,204 corresponds to EP 0 955 154, which was cited on page 3 of the specification for the above-referenced application.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicant does not believe that any fee is due connection with the filing of this Statement. However, if any fee is due, or overpayment made, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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